

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

United States,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 11-cr-20752

D-1, Orlando Gordon, *et al.*,

Sean F. Cox
United States District Court Judge

Defendants.

AMENDED ORDER
DENYING DEFENDANT ORLANDO GORDON'S MOTION FOR
RECONSIDERATION [DOCKET NO. 304]

The matter is before the Court on Defendant Orlando Gordon's Motion for Reconsideration of Opinion and Order Issued February 5, 2013, Denying Orlando Gordon's Motion to Suppress Physical Evidence Purposely Seized on February 11, 2008, Allegedly Pursuant to a Search Warrant Which Was Executed At 31020 McKinney Drive, Franklin, MI. (Docket No. 304.)

Motions in criminal cases are governed by Local Rule 7.1 of the Local Rules of the Eastern District of Michigan governing motions in civil cases. *See* Eastern District of Michigan, Local Criminal Rule 12.1(a). Local Rule 7.1 states:

(3) Grounds. Generally, and without restricting the court's discretion, the court will not grant motions for rehearing or reconsideration that merely present the same issues ruled upon by the court, either expressly or by reasonable implication. The movant must not only demonstrate a palpable defect by which the court and the parties and other persons entitled to be heard on the motion have been misled but also show that correcting the defect will result in a different disposition of the case.

See Eastern District of Michigan, Local Criminal Rule 7.1(h)(3).

A motion for reconsideration does not afford a movant an opportunity to present the same issues that have been already ruled on by the court, either expressly or by reasonable implication. A review of Gordon's motion for reconsideration shows that, for the most part, his motion presents the same issues ruled upon by the Court.

His motion does, however, raise one issue not addressed previously. Gordon asserts that this Court erred in considering facts that were not actually contained in the search warrant affidavit. [Motion for Reconsid. at 8]. Specifically, Gordon notes that the affidavit does not state the first name of the person referenced as "Gordon" in Paragraph 12 . Upon closer review of that paragraph, the Court agrees that the affidavit does not specify whether the person observed on February 8, 2008, was Remond Gordon, Orlando Gordon, or another person named Gordon. But that does not alter the Court's ultimate conclusion. Regardless of which Gordon the affidavit was referencing, the fact that an individual was observed nervously transferring a duffel bag into the premises in question, when taken together with the other facts contained in the affidavit, supports probable cause that the residence may be a stash house.

Finally, with regard to the last issue discussed in Gordon's motion for reconsideration (i.e., whether the officers who executed the search warrant failed to leave a copy of the return at the scene of the search and never filed a copy of the tabulation with the Third Circuit), the Court, once again, points out, as it has done in two prior orders [Docket No. 287; Docket No. 290, at 18–19.], that Gordon never raised this argument in his motion to suppress. Instead, Gordon raised this argument in his reply brief to the Government's response to Gordon's motion to suppress.

In order to grant a motion for reconsideration, the movant must demonstrate a palpable defect

by which the court has been misled and must also show that correcting the defect will result in a different disposition of the case. Gordon has not met that burden here. This Court is not convinced by the case law that Gordon cites and the arguments that he presents in his motion for reconsideration that its decision was made in error.

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that Gordon's motion for reconsideration [Docket No. 304] is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

S/Sean F. Cox
Sean F. Cox
United States District Judge

Dated: March 6, 2013

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon counsel of record on March 6, 2013, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

S/Jennifer McCoy
Case Manager